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SUBJ: PURPORTED SYRIAN AGREEMENT TO EXTEND UNDOF MANDATE

REF: USUN 1434

1. BEIRUT PRESS APRIL 30 CARRIED BRIEF ITEM (AFP, DATELINED DAMASCUS) THAT "OFFICIAL SYRIAN SOURCE" HAD DENIED THAT SYRIA HAD AGREED TO EXTEND UNDOF MANDATE FOR TWO MONTHS. "THE EXTENSION OF UNDOF HAS NOT BEEN ENVISAGED," DECLARED SYRIAN GOVT SPOKESMAN AND REPORTS PUBLISHED ON THIS SUBJECT ARE COMPLETELY WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

2. SYRIAN PRESS HAS CARRIED NEITHER THE STATEMENT
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ATTRIBUTED TO BAATH NATIONAL COMMAND MEMBER FROM

LEBANON, SUHAYL SUKKARIYAH, THAT SYRIA WOULD EXTEND
MANDATE NOR THE DENIAL.

3. COMMENT: WHILE IT IS WIDELY BELIEVED HERE THAT
SYRIA WILL ULTIMATELY AGREE TO SOME EXTENSION OF
MANDATE, THERE HAS BEEN NO SARG ANNOUNCEMENT TO THAT
EFFECT. WHEN SUCH DECISION IS ANNOUNCED, AND WE
FRANKLY EXPECT THAT IT WILL BE A CLIFF HANGER UP UNTIL
LAST MOMENT, WE WOULD EXPECT IT TO BE BY OFFICIAL
GOVERNMENT SOURCE RATHER THAN ONE OF THE LESSER KNOWN
NATIONAL COMMAND MEMBERS.
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